



Times Remembered
Betty A. Young
 BYoung505@Windstream.Net

Sunday, as I was getting ready for church, I heard a couple of birds sing-

Birds Declare It To Be Spring

ing. I declared it has to be spring!

Last week when the weather was so bad we enjoyed feeding the birds and watching them battle for position at the feeders. There were all kinds of song birds: Cardinals, Finches, Chickadees, Titmouse, Black-eyed Juncos, Blue Jays and Woodpeckers to name a few.

But one of least talked about birds and not well liked is the Chimney Sweep. They, like several other birds, eat vast amount of insects in the summer.

Before settlers came west to North America,

the small, pointy-winged, insect-eating machine now known as the Chimney Swift was content to nest in hollow trees, caves and other natural cavities.

Then it discovered how well the chimneys and other structures erected by the settlers kept out the rain, and how the interiors stayed warm on chilly spring nights and cool on hot summer days, so it did the sensible thing: it moved in.

Today, if you look hard enough you might still find the occasional nest in a stump or in a tree trunk, but most nests are found in air

vents, old open wells, boat-houses, lighthouses, and other buildings.

Chimney Swift nests are marvels. Each is little more than a simple-saucer shelf about four inches long, consisting of many 1-2-inch twigs that the birds have glued to the interior wall using their own sticky saliva.

Chimney Swifts are found anywhere east of the Rockies, but they are not here year round, they spend winter far south in places like Peru or Brazil.

Incidentally, Chimney Swifts are protected by state and federal law.

What Is A False Teacher?

by **BOB CASEY**
Preacher Church of Christ

Before the destruction of Jerusalem our Lord warned His followers that during the terrible times that there would be many false prophets that would arise from among them, that would mislead the people of Israel, and according to the writings of Josephus this certainly did take place, and many were led to their deaths. **Mark 13:21** tells of it.

But in **I Peter 2:33**, and I encourage all to read it, Peter is warning the church of the Lord, which is now about 35 years old that it also would have false teachers among them that would bring in damnable wrong teachings, and sadly many would follow them, by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of. In my present knowledge along with a strong sense of opinion, I believe that the greatest danger to those who may be seeking salvation for their souls will listen to, and be led away to some false doctrines that will destroy them even though they desired to be right.

Herein lies the problem, when men do not read and gain the knowledge they need, they most likely will be decided, in spite of the godly advice given in **II Timothy 2:15** where it says: "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the way of truth." A good fashioned answer is to be found in **Hosea 4:6**: "My days are destroyed for lack of knowledge."

A study of God's word in sincerity will lead one away from all five concepts and into the truth of God. So today, I say again that the just's test dangers in existence today is not from bombs, guns, etc., but from folks teachings that will, and are continuing, to destroy most of this world's population.

What, or when would be biblically classified as false teachers, preachers especially? I believe the answer is a very clear on. In **II Timothy 3:15-16** Paul tells us that all scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for teaching, for reproof (or to convince men of the truth), for correction (to correct false notions and mistaken views), for instruction in righteousness (for commanding all religions initiatory knowledge in Christ Jesus), following this advice will one into a state of salvation and let one grow into a complete Christian also one will be thoroughly furnished into all good works.

When one may teach that the Bible says this or that concerning one contention and the scriptures teach otherwise, then this person is a false teacher. When one follows a false teaching related to worship, only to have he Bible to speak of a different thing, then that is a false worship. There are many, many ways to prove the error of false doctrines, but basically, my advise is: to read the Bible, and do what it says, live faithfully by its teachings, and a home in heaven can be yours. In **Luke 6:46** our Lord plainly says: "And why call ye me Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?" It is fruitless to do otherwise.

Sincerely, Bob Casey 1-Waco-369-4165



A view from Main Street, Ravenna looking toward Broadway in Irvine. Most of the houses with water damage are on the right side of the street. A white car to the front side of the two story block building is nearly submerged.

Irvine police arrest three, from theft of mail matter to driving under influence

An Irvine man was arrested March 2 for theft of mail matter.

Capt. Adrian McKinney said that he received a report that mail had been stolen from 132 Broadway on February 26, 2015.

The female victim told Irvine police that she had spotted her stolen jewelry on a female employee at Liquor World.

During the investigation, the female employee told police that her boyfriend had given the jewelry to her.

The boyfriend was identified through a video and Erville Townsend Jr., 30 of 123 Broadway was arrested with theft of mail matter.

Bail for Townsend was set at \$2,500 cash.

Assisting with the investigation was Sgt. Michael Gross.

Man sleeping outside
 Arthur D. Mansfield, 58, of Low Gap Road, Irvine, was arrested Tuesday, March 3 for alcohol intoxication.

Irvine Officer Sam Hensley said numerous calls were made to the Estill County Dispatch about an unconscious

man on the second floor landing at apartments located at 1100 Winchester Road.

When the officer arrived at the scene, he said he found Mansfield asleep at the location. He added it took him a couple of minutes to get Hensley to wake up.

The officer also said the odor of alcohol was present, and Mansfield had slurred speech. He could not stand up by himself.

Mansfield was lodged in the Estill County Detention Center.

DUI Arrest
 Brett McIntosh of Clearview Drive was charged March 3 with operating a motor vehicle under the influence by Sgt. Michael Gross. The arrest was made at Marcum & Wallace Hospital.

The citation states that McIntosh was threatening to kill individuals.

The security officer at the hospital told Gross that he saw McIntosh drive into the parking lot. The police sergeant also said he viewed security tape which showed McIntosh driving.

BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Pharissee in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. In Matthew 21, to what type of tree did Jesus say, "Let no fruit grow on thee henceforward for ever"? Cedar, Oak, Apple, Fig
3. From 2 Corinthians 6,

what did Paul warn Christians about being "yoked" with? Debt, Unbelievers, Shame, Abundance

4. In biblical times, what was a tambourine or small hand drum called? Timbrel, Cornet, Tartu, Cymbal

5. How many days and nights was Jonah in the belly of the great fish? 2, 3, 5, 8

6. Who was the father of Michal? David, Titus, Saul, Stephen

Bible Trivia Answers are at the bottom of Page 13

Now Available

"Save the Mack" T Shirts

"Save the Mack" T-shirts are now available.

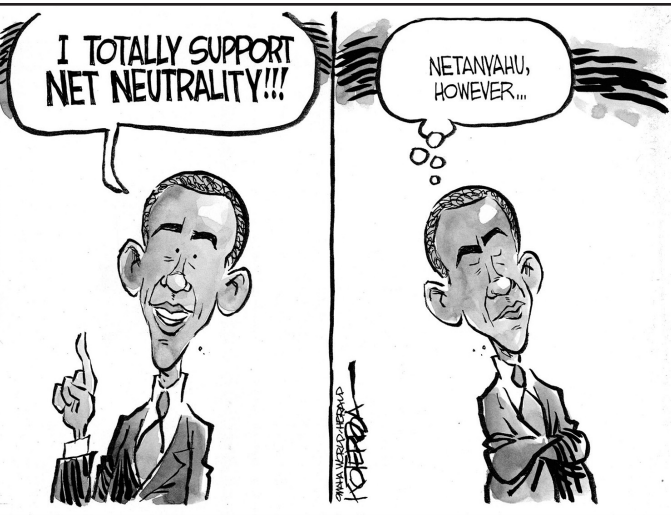
Short Sleeve XL & smaller sizes: \$15. 2XL & larger sizes: \$20. Long Sleeve: \$20.

Visit our booth at the EAC Arts and Crafts show December 6th to buy a T-shirt, a RCP Refrigerator Magnet, or

a "share" on a set of Longaberger Santa Belly baskets.

Shirts will be sold at both RCP performances December 13th & December 14th.

Visit Citizen's Guaranty Bank if you would like to order T-shirts in sizes we do not have readily available.



"I'm late for my appointment — there's an extra five bucks for you if I miss it altogether!"

SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Passage				
ARTIST				
Dissent				
ALINED				
Bedeck				
DROAN				
Weave				
ECLIPS				

TODAY'S WORD

VETERANS POST

by Freddy Groves

Thieves Busted

It boggles the mind that those who steal from the government (and especially from veterans) think they are going to get away with it. While there is sometimes a coordinated effort between a whole alphabet of government agencies, most of the time the VAOIG (Department of Veteran Affairs Office of the Inspector General) is right in there.

Here's a small sample of the crooks who have been nailed recently:

- In San Antonio, a 71-year-old man is going to federal prison and paying back \$1.4 million for a whole laundry list of infractions over a five-year period: wire fraud, giving fraudulent info to the VA to get \$2 million in work, claiming his was a Service Disabled Veteran-owned small business and claiming that employees had certain qualifications.

- In Albuquerque, New Mexico, a man was convicted of theft and ordered to repay nearly \$180,000 for taking VA money that didn't belong to him.

- In Newark, New Jersey, a company will repay \$1.3 million because of allegations that it overcharged the VA on construction contracts. Additionally, it listed itself as a Service Disabled Veteran-owned company and invoiced as such 68 times.

- In Sacramento, California, recently unearthed wrongdoing resulted in a company handing over \$44 million to "settle alleged false billing" allegations. The company handles records management, shredding, storage and more. It reportedly overcharged for services rendered between 2001 and 2014 when it failed to extend lower prices to government customers, as required by its contract. Also, it was alleged that the storage it did provide didn't meet the requirements for which the government was charged. Two whistleblowers will share an \$8 million jackpot for coming forward to expose the fraud.